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THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
— OF THE —
WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF HARRISBURG.

Read June 1st, 1877.

Dear Patrons of the Women's Christian Association:—
The revolving wheels of time have swung us so rapidly to another anniversary of our organization, that we started and shrank that the history of another year, which the recording angel has already written above, must be attempted to be revealed to you. We would fain have passed on doing our work quietly, and we trust faithfully, as God gives us wisdom and strength to serve Him in the person of His humblest disciple, or His most wayward straying creature; but the confidence you have reposed in us, in making us your almoners, and the hope of exciting a wider and deeper interest in the community generally, in the work in which we are engaged, brings us before you in this public manner.

The object of the "Women's Christian Association" after a three years' existence in your midst must be too well known to need reiteration here, and it only remains for us to briefly report something of what has been accomplished, and that through many drawbacks, first from the various other engagements of many of our active members during the Centennial year, and then the disheartening distractions and depressions caused by the financial affairs of our city; yet through it all, if we cannot tell you of marked advancement, by the good hand of our God upon us, and your kindness, we are not called upon to report decreasing work, or a much diminished treasury.

The first month of our fiscal year (June, 1876,) was an exceedingly trying one, as in addition to the duties assumed to our

regular boarders, we had the anxiety and labors of hospital work in two severe cases of illness, one of which resulted in death; this young girl had been a boarder for three months; was ill with consumption when received, and died Tuesday evening, June 27th, we think both temporally and spiritually, she was the better for the care she received whilst with us, as we have the pleasant recollection of the scene in that "upper chamber" where that new believer obeyed the "Do this in remembrance of me," soon after as we trust to go to drink it new in her Father's Kingdom.

A little later in the season one of the children who had been most frequently an inmate of our "day nursery," was transplanted, we hope to grow forever in the garden of our Lord.

During this month also, one of our active and most interested managers, Mrs. Dr. Beehtel, was called to a higher service, leaving us to mourn the departure of an earnest associate and co-worker. We have had a larger number of regular borders than during any previous year, and the transient lodgers who numbered over 200 were considerably in excess of our last report; the majority of these were entertained without remuneration. The dining room also has furnished since June 1, 1876, 8,769 meals; a much larger number than in any previous corresponding period of time. Although providing both lodgings and board at such low rates, so many persons having to be cared for who cannot pay anything, makes the revenue from those sources small.

In the employment office 54 persons have been supplied with service places, whilst more than treble that number of applicants, for lack of proper training, good reference, or not being of suitable age, could not obtain situations.

The sewing school on Saturday afternoon has been open from October first, until May; the number on the list numbering 92, with an average attendance of 80. Here the ladies have been specially encouraged with the increasing interest of the girls in all the instruction given them, and their growing improvement in deportment, as well as the use of the needle. 113 garments were made by the girls and received by them as a reward for their diligence.

In our day nursery five mothers for a longer or shorter period, have placed their children for care while they were at work; this department having been used during the past year 110 days.

The committee who have specially the charge of endeavoring to rescue deluded straying womanhood, with so little pecuniary aid at command for the purpose, and in their perplexity in devising the best means for the accomplishment of the desired object, take pleasure in the fact that at least two christian ladies have been found who, adding to their faith and hope, the third, much harder to be practised grace, and believing that "the greatest of these is charity," having been willing, and have given those unhappy ones places in shop and kitchen, with a chance for their regaining hope and retrieving lost character. Interest in other cases has been manifested, and efforts made to win them to a better life; but to human view with no good results except in one apparently the most hardened who, ere she was called to try the realities of another existence, gave encouragement for the hope that she had passed from death unto life, and another cheering evidence that those lowest in the depths of misery and vice can be lifted up to heights of exalting joy and praise, through faith in His name.

Through the kindness of friends our library has been increased to 81 volumes; other contributions of a suitable character for this list will be gratefully received.

Aside from voluntary contribution for the support of this institution, but two special efforts have been made during the year to replenish our treasury; the Bundle party in September, 1876, and Mrs. Julia M'Nair Wright's lecture in February, 1877; but we are under great obligations to the county commissioners and city officers for remitting the taxes on the property we occupy for our benefit, and are truly grateful for this relief.

Our trust still is that this work will so commend itself to all as to merit its cheerful support, and that the balance now remaining in our treasurer's hands can be reserved as a nucleus for a fund, to, at some future time, purchase a property for our use. Our thanks are also due Drs. Franciscus and Dunott for

professional visits, the Editors of the *Patriot* and *Telegraph* for their favors, and to the gentlemen who have aided us with legal advice and labors.

The prayer meeting formerly held on Tuesday evening, was last fall changed to Thursday afternoon, and the members of the "Women's Union Temperance Prayer Meeting" invited to join us; with but one or two exceptions this meeting has never been omitted, and thus the blessing promised to united earnest prayer has been insured.

In taking leave of the year just behind us, we have cause for many grateful recollections as well as regrets that no more was accomplished, or in a better manner, but as such undertakings, like the christian growth of individuals, has to be promoted by having faith in constant exercise, we step hopefully forward in the confidence that it is the work of Him, who, when on earth had not where to lay His head, and who has said "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

A. E. CLARK,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

MRS. E. FRANCISCUS *in account with the Women's Christian Association.*

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To balance in treasury June 1, 1876,	-	-	-	\$351	25
Collected for rent,	-	-	-	357	80
Fees from members,	-	-	-	51	00
Receipts from Mrs. Wright's lecture,	-	-	-	98	88
Cash receipts from Bundle party,	-	-	-	63	90
Donations,	-	-	-	140	35
Receipts from dining room,	-	-	-	298	86
Collections at monthly meetings,	-	-	-	9	10
Total,	-	-	-	1,371	14

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By cash paid during the year :

Rent,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$372	00
Matron,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130	00
Supplies for dining room,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	419	01
Girl's wages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62	50
Coal,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	00
Gas,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37	22
Furnishing,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	05
Materials for sewing school,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	69
Stationery and printing,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	00
Total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,099	47

To balance in treasury, June 1, 1877,	-	-	-	271	67
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Examined and approved by,

MRS. M. B. BARR,
MISS E. C. SIMON.

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For the year ending September 30, 1877.

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Mr. Albert Taek.....	3 00	Mrs. Rebecca Miller.....	3 00

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS,

From June, 1876, to October, 1877.

A friend, napkin ring ; Miss Wier, carpet and lounge ; Mrs. David M'Cormick, a package of papers ; Mrs. Vaughn, salad ; E. Johnson & Co., marking brush, ink and plate ; Mrs. Muench, two baskets of apples ; Mrs. Jackson Fleming, papers ; Mrs. Margaret Forster, papers ; Mr. Wm. Brieker, two dollars worth of cream for each month for two years ; Mr. Brady, four and one-half dozen rolls ; Mrs. Morrison, beets ; Mr. Brady, six loaves of bread and twists ; Mrs. Emily Meliek, corn ; Mrs. Keet, some ice cream ; a friend, \$5 00 ; Mrs. Killough, five lbs. of coffee ; Mrs. Brady, one dozen rolls ; Mrs. Myers, five lbs. sugar ; Mrs. John A. Wier, five lbs. sugar, and four lbs. coffee ; Miss K. Bryan, one castor and lot of books ; Mrs. Eby Byers, grapes and apples ; Mrs. George Vaughn, peaches ; Mrs. Morrison, apples and apple butter ; Mrs. Bell Kerr, two dozen rolls, ham sandwiches and sugar ; a friend, apples ; Mr. Brady, rolls ; professional visits from Drs. Thos. J. Dunott and Fred. W. Coover ; a friend from Adams county, dried apples ; Mrs. Brubaker, bread ; Young Men's Christian Association, ten lbs. sugar ; Mrs. Chas. Bailey, turkey ; Mrs. Killough, cakes ; Mrs. Vaughn, chow-chow ; Mrs. Geo. Brinton, dusting brush and pudding dish ; a friend, one broom ; Mrs. Mellick and Miss Andrews, clothing ; Mrs. Jackson Fleming, one-half dozen table napkins ; Mrs. Brenizer, buttons, needles, pins, thread etc., and Mrs. David M'Cormick, eanton flannel and muslin for sewing school ; several ladies, cakes for a New Year's treat for the children of the sewing school ; contributions of coal : J. V. Einstein, E. Byers & Son, James Boyd, Nissley & Rutherford, D. W. Cox, S. Bigler, Mitchell & Co., Wyeth & Van Hagen, G. W. Weistling and J. W. Cowen, each one ton ; Jauss & Co., one load of kindling wood ; Mr. Bentz, large wooden boxes ; Mrs. Allen, pies.

Messrs. Rutherford & Rudy, supplies of ice for the summer ; Mrs. Brady, rolls ; a friend, eanned peaches and papers ; Mrs. Orth, three dozen rolls ; Mrs. G. P. Weistling, one eroek apple butter ; Mr. Brady, rolls ; Mrs. E. Meliek, eorn ; Mrs. Dr. Fleming, eastor and a volume for the library ; Mrs. Whitely, one dozen spoons ; Mrs. R. Hummel, a large stove ; Mr. Thos. Hammersley, one ton eoal ; Mrs. Hanna, butter, eanned peaches and tomatoes and papers ; Mr. Woods, a pumpkin ; Mr. Hammersley, a pepperduster ; a friend, \$4 00. For the sewing school, from Mrs. Julia Briggs, thirteen yards muslin and forty-eight yards ehintz ; Mrs. Dr. Franciseus, ten yards ealieo, and Mrs. Moch, some shoes and seecnd-hand clothing ; Mr. Nisley, seecnd-hand clothing ; Mrs. Jackson Fleming, calico seraps, and Mrs. S. D. Young, fifteen yards of calico, eighteen yards of muslin and one dozen spools of cotton for the sewing school ; Mr. Frank S. Seiler, a number of books for the library and floor matting ; Miss Bryan three cans of tomatoes, three of cherries and bottle of vinegar ; Mrs. D. H. Brubaker, thread, prunes and rice ; Mr. Valentine Hummel, two quarts beans, three lbs. coffee, three lbs. of hominy, one lb. tea and four lbs. rree ; Mrs. Helen M. Myers, eanned peaches and tomatoes ; a friend, milk ; Mrs. Caroline Denning, a bureau ; Miss Bryan, ehowehow and tomatoes ; Mrs. David Fleming, a table-eover ; Mrs. Jackson Fleming, ehair eushion and blank book ; a friend, papers ; Mrs. Breekinridge, one paper eorn stareh, two glasses jelly, two lbs. rice, one lb. coffee, one saek salt, two packages baker's eocoa, two lbs. of soap and two eakes of rose soap ; Mrs. Dr. Swartz, three lbs. of butter ; Mrs. Jackson Fleming, a map and some books ; Mrs. Orth, jelly ; Miss Bryan, three cans of tomatoes ; Mr. Allen, twenty-five loaves of bread ; Miss A. E. Clark, cakes and biseuit ; Mrs. H. G. C., two pairs of pillow eases, one pair of sheets, two ehair tidies, half dozen knives, half dozen plated silver forks, half dozen plated silver tea-spoons and two desert spoons ; medical attendanee by Miss Devoe, and from the new gas eompany, a supply of gas for the house.

CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the undersigned, desiring to follow in the footsteps of Christ, and in imitation of Him, deeming it a privilege to work for the uplifting of humanity, and believing it will assist in the fulfillment of the command "That ye love one another," and be promotive of unity, love and good works in our midst, and impressed with the importance of concentrated effort for the elevation of the physical, mental, moral and spiritual condition of women and children, do hereby adopt the following Constitution:

ARTICLE I—NAME.

The name of the Association shall be "The Women's Christian Association of Harrisburg."

ARTICLE II—OBJECT.

The object of the Association shall be the elevation of the physical, mental, moral and religious condition of women and children.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The members of the Association shall consist of four classes, viz: active, associate, life and honorary members.

SECTION 2. Any woman who is a member in regular standing of an Evangelical church, may become an active member of this Association by signing the Constitution and the payment of one dollar annually in advance. Active members only shall be eligible to office.

SECTION 3. Any woman of good moral character may become an associate member of this Association, by the payment of one dollar annually in advance, and on signing the Constitution will be entitled to the same privileges as active members, except eligibility to office.

SECTION 4. Life members may be constituted by the payment of twenty dollars at any one time, subject however, to

the restrictions and qualifications named in sections two and three of this article.

SECTION 5. Honorary members may be constituted by the payment of five dollars.

SECTION 6. All applications for membership and the evidence of the qualifications of the applicants shall be reported through a special committee, and a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to elect said applicant.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, six Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer and a Board of Managers consisting of three members from each denomination of which the officers elect shall be *ex-officio* members.

SECTION 2. All the above named officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting.

Any officer absent from three consecutive meetings of the Association without presenting sufficient cause shall be considered as having resigned her position. All vacancies caused by resignation or otherwise shall be filled by election at the next regular meeting.

ARTICLE V—DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President, and in her absence one of the Vice Presidents, to preside over the meetings of the Association and Board of Managers, to appoint committees and call special meetings, and to have a general supervision over the work of the Association. She shall be *ex-officio*, a member of all committees.

SECTION 2. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board and Association, notify all officers of their election and committees of their appointment.

SECTION 3. The Corresponding Secretary shall be the organ of the Association in its conference with the public. She shall record all letters written by her in a book kept for the purpose, and shall prepare the annual report.

SECTION 4. The Treasurer shall be the financial agent of the Association; shall collect all dues and disburse them on orders

directed by the Association, signed by the President. She shall keep a full and correct account of her transactions and report to the Association at its annual and monthly meetings, and whenever else required. Two suitable persons shall be chosen by the Board of Managers to audit the account of the Treasurer. Before entering upon the duties of her office, she shall give bond with security to be approved by the President and Vice Presidents in the sum of dollars for the faithful performance of said office.

SECTION 5. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers, assisted by the members of the Association to seek out women taking up their residence in Harrisburg, and endeavor to bring them under moral and religious influences, by aiding them in the selection of suitable boarding places and employment, by introducing them to the members, and privileges of this Association, encouraging their attendance at some place of worship, and by every means in their power, surrounding them with christian associates.

It shall be their duty also to exert themselves to interest the churches to which they respectively belong, in the objects and welfare of the Association, and to induce all suitable women to connect themselves with it, and to use all practicable means for increasing its activity and usefulness.

ARTICLE VI—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution, excepting article three, may be altered or amended at a regular meeting of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present: *Provided*, Due notice shall have been given of said intention at a preceding meeting of the Association.

The work of the Association shall be enlarged in the same way as occasion may require.

AMENDMENTS.

1. The Board of Managers shall consist of two members from each church, the officers elect being *ex-officio* members.—*Adopted July 2, 1874.*

2. To strike out the words "an Assistant Treasurer," from section first of article fourth.—*Adopted September 2, 1875.*

3. A quorum for the transaction of business, shall consist of seven members, including officers.—*Adopted December 7, 1876.*

BY-LAWS.

1. There shall be a meeting of the Association on the first Thursday evening of each month.

2. There shall be an annual meeting on the first Thursday of June for the election of Officers and Board of Managers.

3. The order of exercises at the stated meetings shall be as follows:

1. Devotional exercises.

2. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting.

3. Proposing names of new members.

4. Report from Board of Managers.

5. Report of standing committees.

6. Report of special committees.

7. Miscellaneous business, such as extracts from interesting correspondence with similar Associations by the Corresponding Secretary, general intelligence tending to advance the interests of the society, and brief statements of the condition of its business affairs when called for.

8. Election of new members.

9. Doxology.

By a vote of the Association, July 5, 1877, it was decided that hereafter the annual meeting shall be held in October.

CHARTER

— OF THE —

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

— OF —

HARRISBURG, PENN'A.

We the undersigned citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, desiring to follow in the footsteps of Christ, and in imitation of Him, deeming it a privilege to work for the uplifting of humanity, and believing it will assist in the fulfillment of the command "That ye love one another," and be promotive of unity, love and good works in our own midst, and impressed with the importance of concentrated effort for the elevation of the physical, mental, moral and spiritual condition of women and children, and desiring to procure a charter of incorporation of the first class, under the provisions of the act, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain incorporations, approved the twenty-ninth day of April, A. D. 1874," make the following

CERTIFICATE:

1. The name of the corporation shall be "The Women's Christian Association of Harrisburg."
2. The object of the Association shall be the elevation of the physical, mental, moral and religious condition of women and children.
3. The place where its business is to be transacted, is the city of Harrisburg, in the county of Dauphin, and State of Pennsylvania.
4. The charter is to be perpetual, unless revoked or dissolved according to law.
5. The names and residence of the members of the Association are given in schedule hereto attached.

6. The officers of said Association shall consist of a President, six Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, and a Board of Managers consisting of two members from each Evangelical denomination represented in the Association, of which board the officers aforesaid shall be *ex-officio* members. The names of the Officers and Board of Managers for the first year are as follows, viz :

President, Mrs. Dr. Fleming.

Vice Presidents, Mrs. Helen M. Myers, Mrs. C. A. Wyeth, Mrs. David Brubaker, Mrs. E. Brenizer, Miss Maria Boyd and Miss S. A. Bryan.

Recording Secretary, Miss Lillie Adams.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. V. Feeman.

Treasurer, Mrs. Dr. Franciscus.

Assistant Treasurer, Miss Annie Forney.

Managers, Mrs. Geo. Vaughn, Miss M. Tompkinson, Mrs. Dr. Bechtel, Mrs. Melick, Mrs. R. J. Fleming, Mrs. S. D. Ingram, Mrs. J. B. Ewing, Miss A. E. Clark, Miss Annie Wyeth, Miss Earnest, Miss Emma Simon, Mrs. Miller, Miss Kate Adams, Mrs. Thos. F. Mullen and Mrs. J. W. Jones, all residents of Harrisburg.

7. The names, purposes and general rules for the government of said Association are more fully set forth in the following constitution which has been regularly adopted by the members of the Association :

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I—NAME.

The name of the Association shall be "The Women's Christian Association of Harrisburg."

ARTICLE II—OBJECT.

The object of the Association shall be the elevation of the physical, mental, moral and religious condition of women and children.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The members of the Association shall consist of four classes, viz : Active, associate, life and honorary members.

SECTION 2. Any woman who is a member in regular standing of an Evangelical church may become an active member of this Association by signing the constitution and the payment of one dollar annually in advance. Active members only shall be eligible to office.

SECTION 3. Any woman of good moral character may become an associate member of this Association by the payment of one dollar annually in advance, and on signing the constitution will be entitled to the same privileges as active members, except eligibility to office.

SECTION 4. Life members may be constituted by the payment of twenty dollars at any one time, subject however, to the restrictions and qualifications named in sections 2 and 3 of this act.

SECTION 5. Honorary members may be constituted by the payment of five dollars.

SECTION 6. All applications for the membership, and the evidence of the qualifications of the applicants shall be reported through a special committee, and a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to elect said applicants.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, six Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer and a Board of Managers consisting of two members of each denomination, of which the officers elect shall be *ex-officio* members.

SECTION 2. All the above named officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting.

Any officer absent from three consecutive meetings of the Association without presenting sufficient cause, shall be considered as having resigned her position. All vacancies caused by resignation or otherwise shall be filled by election at the next regular meeting, as may be provided in the by-laws.

ARTICLE V—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution, excepting article III, may be altered, or amended at a regular meeting of the Association by a vote of

two-thirds of the members present: *Provided*, Due notice shall have been given of said intention at a preceding meeting of the Association. The work of the Association shall be enlarged in the same way, as occasion may require, with the assent of two-thirds of the Managers.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this eighth day of March, 1876.

MRS. JEANNETTE S. FLEMING,	[SEAL.]
MRS. HELEN M. MYERS,	[SEAL.]
MRS. MATILDA FEEMAN,	[SEAL.]
MRS. SUSAN FRANCISCUS,	[SEAL.]
MISS LILLIE ADAMS,	[SEAL.]

DAUPHIN COUNTY, SS:

Before me, the subscriber, Recorder of Deeds in and for said county, personally came the above named Jeannette Fleming, Helen Myers, Matilda Feeman and Susan Francisus, and acknowledged the foregoing certificate of incorporation to be their act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned.

In testimony, whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this eighth day of March, 1876.

JNO. FOX, *Recorder*.

DAUPHIN COUNTY, SS:

I, John J. Pearson, President Judge of the Twelfth Judicial district, do hereby certify that the foregoing charter of incorporation, after being duly acknowledged as above, was presented to me, and due proof made of its publication, and the intention of the applicants to apply for a charter of incorporation, and that I have duly perused and examined said instrument, and found the same to be in proper form and within the purposes mentioned in the first class of corporations mentioned in the act of April 29, 1874, and the same is lawful and not injurious to the community, whereupon it is ordered and decreed that the charter is approved and ordered to be recorded, and on the same being done, the subscribers thereto

and their associates shall be, and the same are hereby created a corporation for the purposes and on the terms stated in the foregoing instrument, and by the name and on the conditions therein set forth.

Witness my hand and seal, this 13th day of March, A. D. 1876.

JOHN J. PEARSON, [SEAL]
President Judge.

DAUPHIN COUNTY, ss:

Recorded, March 18, 1876, in the office for recording of deeds in and for said county, in charter book B, 148.

In testimony, whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, at Harrisburg, the day and year aforesaid.

JOHN FOX, *Recorder.*

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Women's Christian Association of Harrisburg, Pa., a corporation under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, the sum of dollars to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Association.

